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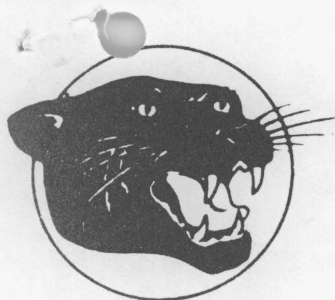
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# Panther Sports News

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## PREVIEWING THE WEEK (Sept. 25-Oct. 1)

Friday, Sept. 27	Volleyball at DePaul Tournament
Saturday, Sept. 28	Football at Southern Illinois (1:30, Carbondale) Volleyball at DePaul Tournament Men's Cross Country at Illinois Invitational
Sunday, Sept. 29	Soccer at Illinois State
Tuesday, Oct. 1	SOCCER hosts Evansville (3:00, Lakeside Field) VOLLEYBALL hosts Illinois (7:30, Lantz Gym)

## REVIEWING THE WEEKEND (Sept. 21-22)

**FOOTBALL:** The Panthers won their second straight, 35-27, over Saginaw Valley behind a record setting offensive performance . . . QB Sean Payton (see below) set most of the marks as the team rolled up 676 total yards eclipsing the previous best 656 vs. Chicago Circle in 1969 . . . the Panthers are now averaging 492 yards total offense and nearly 33 points a game.

SEAN PAYTON (Naperville-Central), junior quarterback, set EIU records by completing 40 passes for 509 yards . . . he also had a record 507 yards total offense and tied a pass attempt record with 58 . . . all the old records were set last year by him . . . Payton threw four TD passes (not a record) of 9 and 17 yards to Charlie Williams, 6 to Roy Banks and 61 to Calvin Pierce . . . his efforts earned him the ESPN 'Player of the Day' (regardless of Division), the Gateway Conference Offensive 'Player of the Week' and the team's top offensive honor . . . Payton is now averaging 346.7 yards per game . . . he has completed 87-142-7 for 1040 yards, seven TDs and a 61.3% completion percentage.

JIM MITEFF (Libertyville), 6-0, 230 sophomore guard, was picked the offensive 'lineman of the week' . . . "his consistency . . . that's what pleased me the most about Jim's game Saturday," said offensive coordinator Joel Swisher . . . "he had the best balanced performance, run and pass, of any of the linemen and we had a lot of plays (98) so it's a compliment to his efforts."

ROY BANKS (Detroit-King), junior wide receiver, was one of two receivers to earn 'player of the game' honors . . . Banks caught 12 passes for 145 yards including a six yard TD toss from Payton . . . his TD reception was a spectacular one-handed grab in the corner of the endzone while he made another outstanding catch when he leaped high near the sideline to pull down an 11 yard gain . . . thus far Banks has caught 23 passes for 274 yards and three TDs.

CALVIN PIERCE (Oak Lawn-Richards), junior slotback, was picked the game's top receiver, along with Roy Banks, by catching 12 passes for 186 yards . . . that was the third highest single yardage mark in EIU history, just 10 yards shy of breaking Willie White's (1971) school record of 195.

DUWAYNE PITTS (Detroit-MacKenzie), sophomore running back, topped 100 yards rushing for the second time this season as he gained a personal best 169 yards on 37 carries . . . he scored one TD on a two yard run . . . he also caught six passes for 29 yards to account for 198 all-purpose rushing . . . Pitts is now averaging 124 yards which should crack the top 10 in NCAA I-AA national stats . . . he has already gained more yardage in three games than he did for 1984 as a whole (362) . . . he's averaging nearly 160 yards all-purpose rushing, tops on the team.

CHARLIE WILLIAMS (Los Angeles-Triton CC), junior wide receiver, caught four passes for 58 yards and two TDs of 9 and 17 yards . . . Williams now has caught nine passes for 130 yards and three TDs.

SCOTT SANDERSON (Pittsfield), junior slotback, caught one pass for 29 yards . . . it was his first catch of the year . . . he is playing behind Calvin Pierce, who is EIU's leading receiver, therefore will play only in brief situations . . . Sanderson is also the holder on all placement kicks.

BARRY GRAVENHORST (Effingham), sophomore kick returner, returned two kick-offs for 28 yards . . . he has returned six this fall for 81 yards, a 13.5 average with 21 his longest . . . he also played briefly in the secondary as a cornerback coming up with one solo tackle.

BRIAN NEWBY (Chicago-Simeon), senior cornerback was picked the defensive 'secondary player of the week' . . . he had six tackles total and intercepted a pass on the goalline with seconds remaining to save the Panthers 35-27 victory . . . he also knocked down another pass.

DERICK WILHELMS (Streator), sophomore inside linebacker, led the team with 11 total tackles, two solo and nine assisted, to earn 'linebacker of the week' honors . . . he was the team's leading tackler Saturday and also knocked down one pass . . . Wilhelms leads the team with 29 total tackles.

ROB DEVITA (Wheaton-Central), junior linebacker, had eight tackles, three solos and five assisted, to boost his season mark to 24, third highest on the team.

BOB BRONAUGH (Rantoul), junior strong safety, had nine tackles Saturday, four solos and five assisted, recovered a fumble on the four yard line to stop a drive and knocked down two passes . . . he is second on the team with 27 total tackles, has four pass deflections, two pass interceptions and the fumble recovery.

TOM LEWANDOWSKI (Elmwood Park-Fenwick), sophomore defensive end, had his best day of the season with a QB sack for a nine yard loss, a fumble recovery, another tackle for loss and was in on five tackles . . . he now has 14 total tackles this fall.

EVAN ARAPOSTATHIS (LaMesa, CA-Helix/Grossmount CC), senior kicker, booted five of five PATs, was 0-2 for field goal attempts from 39 and 43 yards, and averaged 39 yards on three punts . . . on the season he has 10-12 PATs, 2-7 field goals and is averaging 41.1 on punts.



WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL: The Lady Panthers ran their record to 11-2 after defeating Indiana State (15-3, 8-15, 15-10, 8-15, 15-12) and DePaul (15-11, 6-15, 15-8, 16-14). Eastern dropped a match to No. 16 Illinois (7-15, 9-15, 5-15) earlier in the week. This marks the best start in EIU history. "Our team needs to develop more consistency," explains EIU head coach Betty Ralston. "However, I'm more than pleased with our record to date. We have a tough week coming up that could set the tone for the rest of the season."

MAURA LeFEVOUR (Oak Park/Oak Park-River Forest), junior middle hitter, leads the team in hitting with a .333 hitting percentage. She leads the club in block solos (12) and is second in block assists (23). LeFevour had 11 kills and two block solos in EIU's four-game win over DePaul.

JUDY PLANOS (Evanston), senior outside hitter, hit .424 with 16 kills in the Lady Panthers' non-conference win over Indiana State. She is second on the club in hitting (.254) and is tied for second in aces (19).

MISTY BUCKHOLD (Riverton), senior outside hitter, had nine kills and 15 digs against Indiana State. She is third on the team in hitting with a .253 average.

LORI BERGER (Henry), senior middle hitter, led the squad with 12 kills and six block assists in a win against DePaul. She is pacing the club in block assists (27) and is second in service aces (19).

JEANNE PACIONE (Mt. Prospect/Wheeling), sophomore setter, is among the Gateway Conference leaders in assists with 388. She is hitting .226 with 21 block assists.

DIANE EISERMAN (Libertyville), sophomore outside hitter, leads the squad in kills (143), service aces (23) and digs (97). She tallied 15 kills and three block assists in Eastern's win over Indiana State.

LEANN THOMAS (Riverton), freshman setter, had 31 assists in a rare start in EIU's triumph over Indiana State. She has 36 assists and 11 digs on the season.

GIANNA GALANTI (LaGrange/Lyons Township), freshman middle hitter, registered six kills, four block solos and three block assists in the EIU-Indiana State match. She is among the team leaders in blocks despite not starting for EIU.

GINA KNOKE (Waterloo/Gibault), freshman middle hitter, earned a start against Indiana State and came through with one kill and five digs. Her defense has been a pleasant surprise for the Lady Panthers' squad all season.

WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY: The EIU women's cross country team finished 14th in the 21-team Midwest Open held in Kenosha, WI. Eastern obtained 384 points while University of Wisconsin took first place with 23 points. "This is the same course we ran last year . . . Everybody improved their times over that meet . . . The girls competed quite well," said head coach John Craft.

JANINE JARRIS (St. Charles), a junior, ran a personal best time of 18:09 as she finished in 26th place. "Janine ran exceptionally well," stated Craft. "She ran a hard, tough race."

LISA JOSTES (Rochester), a sophomore, took 78th place with a time of 19:25.

KERRI SPERRY (Litchfield), a junior, placed 93rd with a time of 19:35.

HEIDI LAMMON (Crystal Lake/Crystal Lake S.), a freshman, was clocked at 20:01 and placed 114th.

LUANN MEYER (Teutopolis), a junior, finished in 132nd place with a time of 20:30.

PEGGY BROWN (Bolingbrook), a senior, rounded out Eastern's runners by placing 160th with a time of 22:26.

**MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY:** The Panthers were fifth in the 21-team Midwest Collegiate Championship at Kenosha, WI. Hillsdale (MI) College won the meet with 78 points, while Eastern had 165. Indiana State took second with 82 points, Wisconsin-Oshkosh third with 92 and host Wisconsin-Parkside fourth with 123 . . . "I was pleased," Eastern assistant coach Tom Akers said. "We were fifth without our No. 1 runner, so I've got to be pleased with that . . . I'd say six of our eight had very good races. I was real pleased with their performances" . . . the Panthers' top runner, Donzell Jones (Matteson-Rich South), freshman, missed the meet because of National Guard duty.

SCOTT TRACY (Downers Grove-North), senior, was Eastern's top placer as he took 21st in 25:39. Tracy improved his time by :20 for the season.

MITCH MCCLURE (Paxton-Parkland CC), senior, was Eastern's second-best performer as he captured 28th place in 25:50. His time was :07 better than his previous season best.

VAN GARDNER (Salem-Kaskaskia), sophomore, was 33rd in 25:58. Gardner improved his time by :15 for the season.

BRAD CONTE (DuQuoin), freshman, was 40th in 26:13. His time was :06 better than his previous season best.

DALE RIGHTER (Mattoon), sophomore, was 64th in 26:39. His personal best this season is 26:28.

JOHN WELLS (Jasonville, IN-Shakamak), freshman, was 66th in 26:40. It was his varsity debut.

DAN NEWMAN (Elmhurst-York), senior, was 69th in 26:42. Newman improved his time by :04 for the season.

JEFF WILLIAMS (Prophetstown), freshman, was 77th in 26:52. His personal best is 26:36.

SOCCER: The Panthers remained unbeaten with a 4-2 victory over Quincy College Saturday night. Four different individuals scored goals for the Panthers who are now 4-0-1 on the year. "We are getting better and better with each game," coach Cizo Mosnia said, "We made some mental mistakes that allowed Quincy to score, but I'm not overly concerned about these lapses." Eastern will next be in action against Illinois State, Sunday (sept. 29) at 2 p.m. in Normal.

MARK SIMPSON (Schaumburg) sophomore goalie, was credited with nine saves in the net. "Mark is a take-charge person," coach Cizo Mosnia said. "He played quite well and is one of our better players."

MARK NOFFERT (Troy, MI) freshman midfielder, was credited with an assist as Eastern scored its third goal against Quincy. "He sparked the team and is fast becoming a very consistent player," Mosnia said.

RICK LANSING (Point Pleasant, NJ) senior midfielder, scored Eastern's first goal on a penalty kick. "It's easy to tell he is a senior with the quality of play and effort he gives us," Mosnia said.

MATT GAMACHE (St. Louis, MO) junior midfielder, broke into the scoring column for the first time this year when he kicked the final goal of the night.